

# Texas Division of Emergency Management State Situation Report

#### **New Information in Blue Text**

Event Name	22-0004 Winter Weather 01FEB			
Date	February 4, 2022			
Time	9:00 AM			
Operational Period February 3, 2022 – February 4, 2022				
Report Number	2			

Regions Affected	
<b>DPS Regions Affected</b>	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6
DDCs Active	1, 2, 3, 4A, 4B, 6, 7, 8, 11, 17, 20, 21, 22 & 24

**STATEWIDE CURRENT SITUATION:** Governor Greg Abbott provided an update on Texas' response to winter weather that is currently impacting the state. During the press conference, the Governor reported that 27 state agencies are responding to the impact of the storm to ensure Texans have the support and resources they need to stay safe. Importantly, the Governor noted that the Texas power grid is fully functioning and continues to be reliable.

While precipitation, including freezing rain, snow, and sleet, will begin to dissipate over the next day, lingering impacts of the cold weather such as dangerous wind chill will continue to be felt throughout the state into the weekend. Travel continues to be discouraged due to icy conditions on roadways. The Texas Department of Transportation has transitioned from pre-treatment of roads into clearing and deicing. Texans are encouraged to monitor road conditions at drivetexas.org. Stranded motorists can call 1-800-525-5555 for assistance from the Texas Department of Public Safety.

Governor Abbott issued a disaster declaration for 17 counties (Bosque, Dallas, Delta, Denton, Ellis, Fannin, Grayson, Hopkins, Hunt, Johnson, Kaufman, Lamar, Navarro, Rains, Red River, Rockwall, and Williamson Counties) most affected by the icy conditions. This includes waiving regulations to ensure these additional linemen can more rapidly make repairs to power lines.

Texans are encouraged to monitor road conditions at drivetexas.org. Texans can also access power line safety reports and contact their transmission company at puc.texas.gov.

#### **OPERATIONAL PRIORITIES:**

- 1. Protect life and property.
- 2. Support rapid & effective response.
- 3. Collect and disseminate accurate incident information to improve decisionmaking.
- 4. Accurately track incident costs associated with assigned resources for cost recovery.

# Region 1 (Includes DDCs 4, 5, 6, and 22)

**DDC 4A – Hurst** (Includes: Denton, Erath, Hood, Johnson, Palo Pinto, Parker, Somervell, Tarrant, and Wise Counties)

DDC 4A is activated at Level II.

**Denton County -** The City of Denton issued a Disaster Declaration on February 1. Denton County EOC is activated.

**Erath County** – Erath County EOC is activated.

**Tarrant County** – Tarrant County EOC is activated.

Wise County - Wise County EOC is activated.

**DDC 4B – Garland** (Includes: Collin, Dallas, Ellis, Hunt, Kaufman, Navarro and Rockwall Counties)

DDC 4B is activated at Level I.

**Collin County -**

**City of Plano** – The City of Plano EOC is activated.

**City of Wylie** – The City of Wylie EOC is activated.

**Dallas County** – Dallas County issued a Disaster Declaration on February 1.

#### Ellis County -

The following warming centers are open:

- •The City of Ennis at 201 NW Main St. Open 2/3 & 2/4 from 7A to 7P
- •The City of Glen Heights 1800 S. Hampton Rd. Open 2/2 to 2/4 until 6P

**Kaufman County -** Kaufman County EOC is activated. Kaufman County issued a Disaster Declaration on February 2. Two shelters are open, one located at the

Serenity Corner at 121 South Rockwall Avenue and another at Epic Life Church at 645 North Rockwall Avenue in Terrell.

**Rockwall County** – Rockwall County EOC is activated.

Navarro County - Navarro County issued a Disaster Declaration on February 2.

**DDC 6 – Tyler** (Includes: Anderson, Camp, Cherokee, Gregg, Harrison, Henderson, Marion, Panola, Rains, Rusk, Smith, Upshur, Van Zandt and Wood Counties)

DDC 6 is activated at Level II (virtual).

**DDC 22 – Sherman** (Includes: Cooke, Fannin and Grayson Counties)

DDC 22 is activated at Level II.

**Cooke County** – Cooke County EOC is activated.

**Fannin County** – Fannin County EOC is activated. Fannin County COOP indicates they are making some restorations only a couple hundred customers at a time. Working on some of the feeder poles and working to replace.

**Grayson County -** The Grayson County EOC is activated. The City of Van Alstyne opened a warming center at their Community Center located at 262 N Preston Ave.

TxDOT Paris District PIO issued a Press Release- TRAVEL ALERT- for drivers to find an alternate route, around a major construction site, thus exiting travel on US 75. US 75 is the only Tier I road in Grayson County and TxDOT crews have been working diligently to keep it open and unable to treat any possible alternate route. This message went to all the major media outlets, social media markets, and state legislatures for the disaster district. The travel alert has the potential to increase stranded motorist along more dangerous roadways that will be more difficult to access to render assistance, by responders.

Region 3 (Includes DDCs 19, 20, 21, and 24)

**DDC 20 – Corpus Christi** (Includes: Aransas, Bee, Brooks, Duval, Jim Wells, Kenedy, Kleberg, Live Oak, Nueces, Refugio and San Patricio Counties)

DDC 20 is activated at Level III.

**Bee County** - Bee County EOC is activated at Level II

**Brooks County** - Brooks County EOC is activated at Level III.

**Duval County** – Duval County EOC is activated at Level III.

**Jim Wells County** – Jim Wells County EOC is activated at Level III.

**City of Alice** – The City of Alice EOC is activated at Level III.

**City of Orange Grove** – The City of Orange Grove is activated at Level III.

**Live Oak County** – Live Oak County EOC is activated.

**Nueces County –** Nueces County EOC is activated at Level II. Nueces County issued a Disaster Declaration on February 3.

Warming Centers: Open the following dates and times

Thursday, February 3, from 12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Friday, February 4 and Saturday, February 5, from 8 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Sunday, February 6, from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

- Broadmoor Senior Center 1651 Tarlton Street 826-3138
- Ethel Eyerly Senior Center 654 Graham Road 826-2330
- Owen R. Hopkins Library 3202 McKinzie Road 826-2350
- La Retama Library 805 Comanche Street 826-7055
- Ben F. McDonald Library 4044 Greenwood Drive 826-2356

The Corpus Christi Regional Transportation Authority will provide free transportation to and from the Warming Centers. Food will not be offered, and pets will not be allowed inside.

The City of Corpus Christi activated their Emergency Operations Center to Level III (virtual).

The City of Corpus Christi is collaborating with Nueces County and the City of Robstown to open an overnight warming center at the Richard M. Borchard (RMB) Fairgrounds in Robstown. The warming center will open on February 3 at 8:00 PM and remain open through 12:00 PM, February 5. The RMB Fairgrounds is located at 1213 Terry Shamsie Boulevard, Robstown, TX 78380.

**DDC 21 – Weslaco** (Includes: Cameron, Hidalgo and Willacy Counties)

DDC 21 is activated at Level III.

**Cameron County** – Space is available at Loaves and Fishes Shelter located at 514 South East Street in Harlingen. The Ozanam Center is Brownsville located at 656 N Minnesota Ave has opened its doors to anyone needing a safe and warm place to stay.

**Hidalgo County** – Dustin Michael Sekula Memorial Library has been activated as a warming center for those needing a place to stay for the night. It will be open until noon on Friday. The warming center is located at 1906 S. Closner Boulevard in Edinburg. The Salvation Army in McAllen located at 1600 N 23<sup>rd</sup> Street is open to

anyone needing a warm and safe place to stay. The City of Mercedes opened a warming center from 6:00 PM, February 3 to 12:00 AM, February 4 at the Mercedes Safe Room Community Recreation Center located at 1202 N Vermont.

**DDC 24 – Del Rio** (Includes: Dimmit, Edwards, La Salle, Kinney, Maverick, Real, Uvalde, Val Verde and Zavala Counties)

DDC 24 is activated at Level II.

**Dimmit County** – Dimmit County EOC is activated at Level III.

**Edwards County** – Edwards County EOC is activated at Level III. Edwards County opened a warming center at First Baptist Church Rock Springs at 500 Uvalde Rd.

**Kinney County** – Kinney County EOC is activated at Level III.

La Salle County – La Salle County EOC is activated at Level III.

Maverick County – Maverick County EOC is activated at Level III. Maverick County has warming centers open at the following locations: Pueblo Nuevo, 253 Ruela St. Eagle Pass, TX Seco Mines Community Center, 2989 Sanchez Ave., Eagle Pass, TX Los Potrillos Dance Hall (Pending Confirmation), 1823 S. Veterans Blvd., Eagle Pass, TX

**Real County** – Real County EOC is activated at Level III.

**Uvalde County** – Uvalde County EOC is activated at Level III.

**Val Verde County** – Val Verde County EOC is activated at Level III.

**Zavala County** – Zavala County EOC is activated at Level III.

Region 4 (Includes DDCs 8, 9, and 10)

**DDC 8 – El Paso** (Includes: Brewster, Culberson, El Paso, Hudspeth, Jeff Davis and Presidio Counties)

DDC 8 is activated at Level III.

**Hudspeth County -** Hudspeth County is opening a warming center at 528 N. Williams Avenue in Sierra Blanca at the County Barn where the Extension Agent Office is located.

**DDC 9A – Midland** (Includes: Andrews, Borden, Dawson, Ector, Gaines, Glasscock, Howard, Martin, Midland and Winkler Counties)

**Ector County -** Salvation Army 24/7 warming center is open during this event at  $10^{\text{TH}}$  & Jefferson, Capacity – 50. Connection Christian Church 4241 Tanglewood Lane is on standby and will open if Salvation Army reaches capacity.

**Midland County -** Salvation Army 24/7 600 East Wall, Midland, Texas, Capacity: 85, Total Last Night: 54. Breaking Bread Kitchen, 410 East Florida, is on standby and will open only if Salvation Army shelter reaches capacity.

**DDC 10 – San Angelo** (Includes: Coke, Concho, Crockett, Irion, Kimble, Mason, McCulloch, Menard, Reagan, Schleicher, Sterling, Sutton and Tom Green Counties)

DDC 10 is assisting and coordinating with Kimble, Sutton, and Crockett Counties for TxDOT and DPS resources. STAR request sent for Crockett County.

## Region 5 (Includes DDCs 1, 2, 3, and 7)

**DDC 1 – Amarillo** (Includes: Armstrong, Briscoe, Carson, Castro, Childress, Collingsworth, Dallam, Deaf Smith, Donley, Gray, Hall, Hansford, Hartley, Hemphill, Hutchinson, Lipscomb, Moore, Ochiltree, Oldham, Parmer, Potter, Randall, Roberts, Sherman, Swisher and Wheeler Counties)

DDC 1 is activated at Level III.

**DDC 2 – Lubbock** (Includes: Bailey, Cochran, Crosby, Dickens, Floyd, Garza, Hale, Hockley, King, Lamb, Lubbock, Lynn, Motley, Terry and Yoakum Counties)

DDC 2 is activated at Level III.

**Lubbock County -** Currently, the Salvation Army, Grace Campus and Open-Door Lubbock are open as warming centers.

**City of Lubbock** - The City of Lubbock EOC is activated at Level III.

**DDC 3 – Wichita Falls** (Includes: Archer, Baylor, Clay, Cottle, Foard, Hardeman, Jack, Wichita, Wilbarger and Young Counties)

DDC 3 is activated at Level III. TxDOT crews continue to patrol and plow roadways.

**DDC 7 – Abilene** (Includes: Brown, Callahan, Coleman, Comanche, Eastland, Fisher, Haskell, Jones, Kent, Knox, Mitchell, Nolan, Runnels, Scurry, Shackelford, Stephens, Stonewall, Throckmorton and Taylor Counties)

DDC 7 is activated at Level III.

TxDOT is running 24-hour operations, maintaining roadways. Roads are impacted with snow and ice, making travel difficult. No roads are closed due to

weather. TAMFS is supporting TxDOT operations with AWD maintainers. TMD is patrolling IH-20, assisting stranded motorists, mainly in Nolan County.

## **Taylor County -**

**City of Abilene** - City of Abilene EOC is activated at Level III. Currently, Salvation Army Abilene is the only known open warming station but there may be a need for warming and/or sheltering operations in Sweetwater due to travel issues.

# Region 6 (Includes DDCs 11, 12, 17, 18A, 18B, and 23)

**DDC 11 – Waco** (Includes: Bosque, Falls, Freestone, Hill, Limestone and McLennan Counties)

DDC 11 is activated at Level III (Virtual). The DPS Waco Office is closed February 3 and February 4. Multiple local jurisdiction shelters and warming stations remain on active and standby throughout the district. The City of Marlin opened a warming center at their City Hall but has not received any residents or travelers.

**DDC 12 – Austin** (Includes: Bastrop, Blanco, Burnet, Caldwell, Fayette, Hays, Lee, Llano, Travis and Williamson Counties)

**Williamson County** – William County issued a Disaster Declaration on February 2.

**DDC 17 – Victoria** (Includes: Calhoun, DeWitt, Goliad, Gonzales, Lavaca, Jackson and Victoria Counties)

DDC 17 is activated at Level III.

**DDC 18A – San Antonio** (Includes: Bandera, Comal, Frio, Gillespie, Guadalupe, Kendall, Kerr, and Medina Counties)

#### **Comal County -**

**City of New Braunfels** – The City of New Braunfels EOC is activated.

**Gillespie County** – Gillespie County EOC is activated.

**Kerr County** – Kerr County EOC is activated.

**DDC 18B – AARC/Bexar County** (Includes: Atascosa, Bexar, Karnes, McMullen and Wilson Counties)

**Bexar County** – Bexar County submitted a Disaster Summary Outline.

Warming centers that have opened in San Antonio as of Thursday from 7AM to 7PM:

- Garza Community Center at 1450 Mira Vista
- Hamilton Community Center at 10700 Nacogdoches Road

- Denver Heights Community Center at 300 Porter Street
- Harlandale Community Center at 7227 Briar Place

**DDC 23 – Killeen** (Includes: Bell, Coryell, Hamilton, Lampasas, Milam, Mills and San Saba Counties)

**Bell County -** Two warming centers are open in Temple. Salvation Army located at 419 W. Avenue G is open from 6PM to 7AM. Impact Church located at 306 E. Adams Avenue is open from 6PM to 8AM. These centers will operate nightly while Temple is experiencing below-freezing temperatures. The City of Killeen opened a warming center at the Moss Rose Center, 1103 E Avenue E and will be open Thursday from 6PM to 9AM and Friday from 6PM to 9AM.

**City of Temple:** The City of Temple EOC is activated.

#### **RESPONDING STATE AGENCIES/ORGANIZATIONS REPORTS**

**Texas Division of Emergency Management, Texas A&M University System (TDEM):** The State of Texas SOC increased its readiness level to Level II (Escalated Response) at 7:00 a.m., Wednesday, 2 February for winter weather response operations. TDEM regional Assistant Chiefs and District Coordinators continue to coordinate with local officials and emergency management partners, as well as the Disaster Districts to determine unmet needs and state resource needs. Daily Operations staff continue to process disaster declarations, letters to the Governor, Disaster Summary Outlines, State of Texas Assistance Requests (STARs), preparing Snapshots and the State SITREPs. The State Management Team (SMT) continues conducting operations in the Remote SOC, working together with activated members of the State's Emergency Management Council.

In addition, TDEM continues to coordinate statewide weather situational awareness calls and coordination calls with energy industry providers, and the Texas Energy Reliability Council (TERC) to facilitate information sharing and situational awareness on the state's power grid.

# **Disaster Documents Received by the State Operations Center:**

Document	Received from Cities	Received from Counties	
Disaster Declarations	1	5	
Disaster Summary Outlines		1	

**TDEM Communication Coordination Group (CCG):** There have been no reports of major communications outages. Overnight, in Abilene, Hendrick Medical Center had an issue with their network phone system. The City of Abilene provided them with portable radios which provided them with an interim solution.

Overall cellular service levels are near normal / pre-storm levels. Where there has been impacts on service, cellular providers are working to restore service to pre-storm levels in the impacted areas.

The various Amateur Radio groups across the state have established radio nets to include the activation of VHF / UHF repeater networks across the state. The repeaters' primary purpose is to enhance local communications. However, the repeaters can be linked to increase the coverage areas. Currently, there are multiple repeater networks linked and activated. This is providing coverage from West Texas to Central Texas to East Texas to Fort Worth, to South Central Texas and beyond.

The Amateur Operators have begun providing Critical Infrastructure Reports, providing situational awareness of their local areas.

Our private sector partners continue to monitor the situation and provide assistance as needed. Our Statewide Satellite Initiative (SSI) service provider is assessing the network and providing technical assistance to users as may be needed. There are no current issues reported regarding satellite service.

Our federal partners are monitoring the situation and stand ready to support any request for assistance.

All ESF 2 partners are continuing to monitor the situation and plan and prepare as needed.

#### **TDEM Disaster Recovery Task Force (DRTF):**

#### ESF6 Mass Care

Warming center locations continually being updated as they open Communicating with Sheltering and Feeding partners across the state, no unmet needs being reported. Staff and supplies prepositioned across the northern regions based on forecasted conditions.

# State VAL

State VAL, supported by DRTF Staff, continues to share information and coordinate with Long Term Recovery Groups and VOAD members organizations.

#### **DRTF Staff**

DRTF Staff continue to support mass care efforts through the collection of warming center and shelter locations to populate the TDEM public map and to provide to 211.

**TDEM Recovery:** TDEM Recovery has opened incident-specific damage surveys using the iSTAT tool and the pSTAT tools. The purpose of these surveys is to identify damages across Texas and to help emergency management officials across

the state gain an understanding of damages that have occurred during the winter weather disaster.

**Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service (AgriLife):** Disaster Assessment and Recovery agents and County Extension Strike Team members are on standby to support any ESF11 efforts associated with animal response or other winter recovery efforts as requested.

- Provided updated information through the agency's social media channels as well as our county agent network to support local governments and constituents with preparedness education/resources.
- Developed a Social Media Resource Guide for county offices to share winter storm preparedness information and resources.
- Texas EDEN website updated with resources and information for storm preparation and livestock preparedness.
- Media interviews secured with Univision and Spectrum Communications in Austin.
- Participated in the Texas Division of Emergency Management Communications
   Call with updates on communications work, planning and preparedness
   statewide.
- Communicated with Texas Animal Health Commission PIO with preparedness planning coordination.
- Shared the texashelp.tamu.edu with TDEM to be part of the list of resources for Texans via Gov. Abbott.

**Texas A&M Engineering Extension Service (TEEX):** Texas A&M Engineering Extension Service (TEEX) / Texas A&M Public Works Response Team (TX-PWRT) continues to support and coordinate operations from the Remote SOC serving as ESF-3.

- Two (2) TEEX/TX-PWRT personnel managing ESF 3 Public Works and Engineering at the Remote SOC in Austin.
- Three (3) TEEX/TX-PWRT personnel deployed to the Garland DDC. Team consists of one (1) Team Lead, one (1) Electric Power subject matter expert, and one (1) Water/Wastewater subject matter expert. This team was deployed per a request from Garland DDC.
- Addressing STAR requests as received Currently one (1) received

**Texas A&M Forest Service (TAMFS):** TAMFS is currently supporting TxDOT and TDEM with winter weather response with personnel and equipment assigned to Amarillo, Brownwood, Sherman, Abilene, San Angelo, Palo Pinto and Parker Counties. Additionally, TAMFS has numerous other state resources available for this response.

The motor grader assigned to Abilene TxDOT have bladed 60 miles of I-20, directly assisted 217 motor vehicles, and cleared a 7 mile stand still freeing up 1,000 stopped vehicles. Two additional vehicles and five additional personnel have been brought on so that motor graders can stay operational for 24 hours throughout the event. Both east and west bound lanes of I-20 in Nolan County are at a standstill and crews are headed that way to get a size up of the situation and assist.

The motor graders assigned to Brownwood TxDOT are continuously blading a 48 mile stretch of I-20 in both Eastland and Callahan Counties. Personnel worked to remove eight semitrucks that were in a pileup in the westbound lanes, as well as prevented numerous other vehicles from becoming a part of this pile up. There was no need to transport for medical treatment.

The motor grader assigned to San Angelo TxDOT has bladed 75 miles in the San Angelo area, including Loop 306, US 187 South, and Bryant Blvd.

Parker, Palo Pinto, and Eastland Counties, Courtesy Patrols, continue to patrol I-20.

Sherman DDEOC one unit is staged at the DDEOC with the other patrolling to assist any stranded motorist.

The motor graders assigned to Amarillo have been blading Loop 335, Soncy Rd, and I-27 from the South Loop to Washington Street, as well as I-27 service roads.

San Angelo crew bladed 137 miles of tier 1 roads throughout the City of San Angelo. The crew made several passes on Loop 306, US 87 South, US 87 North, HWY 208, Bryant Blvd, and Knickerbocker Rd. 306 miles were scouted for situational awareness and to evaluate equipment needs. 6 motorists were directly assisted.

**Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUC):** The PUC monitored outages throughout the day, with outages peaking around 10:30 at 70,000 customers out. The primary affected counties are Bexar, Hunt, Fannin, and Collin counties. Bexar county accounted for more than a third of these peaking at around 30k customers out. As of 4:00 PM the outages are around 40k with approximately 10,000 of these remaining in Bexar. Electric outages have steadily declined overnight and into the early morning hours, from 34,000 as of 5:00 PM, February 3 to 14,000 as of 3:00 AM February 4. The bulk of outages remains in Collin (2,000) and Hunt (4,700) counties, and outages in Bexar have been reduced to under 800.

**Railroad Commission of Texas: (RRC):** RRC held its daily 9:00 am operational call with local gas distribution companies, pipelines, and major producers. Operators have been reporting since Monday that they are continuing as usual and are prepared for the current weather conditions. However, there are road conditions that may be impacting some lease access. If they result in major operational deficiencies, we are coordinating with TxDOT to assist with road access. Operators,

and other district personnel, will continue to monitor and report major impacts. RRC has not received any reports of weather-related natural gas production or distribution issues. Operators have reported that they do not anticipate major issues, as some transition to 24/7 operation

RRC will continue to support ESF 12 and work with TxDOT and PUC throughout the event.

**Texas Animal Health Commission (TAHC):** The Texas Animal Health Commission is maintaining situational awareness of the evolving weather incident. TAHC is activated to the SOC, is monitoring weather calls, and is coordinating with TAHC Regional Offices and animal response partners at the local, state, and federal level for support of local jurisdictions. Coordination communications have occurred with ESF-11 partners regarding potential hay/feed or other livestock-related support following the storm. All partners have indicated no unmet needs at this time but are working to prepare for anticipated issues. TAHC staff remain on standby for response to any animal issues which may arise. All ESF-11 partners are working to maintain contact and situational awareness of any concerns related to these issues.

**Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ):** TCEQ has staff and emergency response hazmat contractors on standby for possible deployment to assist local governments with any air/water/waste related issues including drinking water/wastewater issues and/or emergency response activities. Notifications were sent to Public Drinking Water and Wastewater systems to provide reminders to operators on regulatory guidance, procedures, and preparedness steps to take in advance of approaching winter weather. TCEQ mobile monitoring assets (air monitoring Smart Vans) on standby for possible deployment to impacted areas. TCEQ contacted EPA Region 6 to begin coordination of any possible response activities and resource request. Two community public drinking water systems in Fannin County have reported issues. One system in not operational due to a power outage and one system in on a generator and has low pressure. This system will be issuing a Boil Water Notice (BWN).

Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS): DSHS Texas Emergency Medical Task Force (EMTF): The remote State Medical Operations Center (SMOC) activated at Increased Readiness level II to support winter weather response operations beginning at 07:00 AM Wednesday morning. The Texas Emergency Medical Task Force has increased to the standby readiness level due to the ongoing Winter Weather system impacting the state. [3] SWX PKGs and [2] AMBUSs (additional) from EMTFs 1,2,4,8,9. A Severe Weather Package includes: [1] Task Force Leader; [1] Medical Incident Support Team; [1] AMBUS; [1] Ambulance Strike Team.

**Texas Department of Public Safety (TXDPS):** The Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) has increased the readiness of statewide resources to appropriately

respond to this winter weather event. Texas Highway Patrol (THP) troopers and other DPS personnel are fully prepared to respond as conditions dictate. Affected THP Disaster District Chairs are communicating with TxDOT, TDEM, TPWD, and local officials to implement emergency response plans. The Northwest, North, West, and Southeast Texas regions are prepared to coordinate with state police partners in New Mexico, Oklahoma, Arkansas, and Louisiana to ensure prompt responses to potential interstate highway issues. Due to hazardous road conditions, numerous DPS offices are scheduled to be closed or have delayed opening on Friday, February 4, 2022.

On February 2<sup>nd</sup>, THP Highway Safety Operations Center (HSOC) began gathering state-wide weather-related event data collection pertaining to crash related information, motorists assist and DDC Activation Levels.

At the direction of the governor, Director McCraw issued an emergency notice providing relief from Part 395.3 of the Federal Motor Carrier Safety regulations relating to hours of service in support of this event. This relief includes, but is not limited to, power grid repairs and delivery of groceries, fuel, propane, and other essential products and is in effect from February 3rd through February 7th.

Texas Highway Patrol troopers are investigating crashes, assisting stranded motorists, directing traffic, and working closely with other state agencies and local government entities in the affected areas, which are primarily in the Northwest, North, and Central Texas regions.

**Texas Military Department (TMD):** TMD is supporting THP, TPWD, and TxDOT in protecting life and property during events of winter weather in Texas. TMD has activated 127 personnel and 49 vehicles. Units are staged in Wichita Falls, Lubbock, Abilene, Wylie, and Round Rock in support of 22-0004 February Winter Weather. A Military District Coordinator (MDC) has been assigned for District 4B.

**Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD):** TPWD is preparing for this winter weather event and is prepared to support with 4x4 vehicles/personnel statewide. Also, TPWD personnel along with Aviation including our UAS Team is continuing to be advised of the current weather conditions and are maintaining a state of readiness. Game Wardens continue to patrol in areas affected by the winter weather and are working in conjunction with Texas DPS Troopers and other first responders assisting stranded motorist and traffic control due to weather conditions.

**Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT):** TxDOT crews continue de-icing and plowing snow throughout the impacted areas of the state. Crews are working 12 hour shifts around the clock, preparing, monitoring, and responding to the changing roadway conditions. All 25 TxDOT Districts have personnel identified and ready to respond as conditions change. Currently, there are 3,259 roads impacted by winter weather.

# STATE RESOURCES COMMITTED

Agency	Resource Kind	Personnel	Equipment	Status	Location
	and Type				
Texas	SOC Liaison	1	0	Assigned	Austin
A&M					
AgriLife		_			
Texas	AgriLife	3	0	Assigned	College
A&M	Administration				Station
AgriLife				_	
Texas	Marketing &	4	0	Assigned	College
A&M	Communications				Station
AgriLife					
Texas	DAR Agents	17	17	Activated	Statewide
A&M					
AgriLife					
DSHS	SWP Team #1	20	6	Activated	EMTF Region
					1
DSHS	SWP Team #2	20	6	Activated	EMTF Region
					2
DSHS	SWP Team #3	20	6	Activated	EMTF Region
					4
DSHS	Ambus	7	1	Activated	EMTF Region
					8
DSHS	Ambus	7	1	Activated	EMTF Region
					9
TAHC	SOC	1	0	Assigned	Austin
	Representative				
TAMFS	ESF 4	1	0	Assigned	Austin
	Coordinator				
TAMFS	Technical	1	1	Assigned	Austin
	Specialist (THSP)				
TAMFS	Winter Wx	7	5	Assigned	TxDOT
	Response				Amarillo
	Package				District
TAMFS	Winter Wx	5	4	Assigned	TxDOT
	Response				Brownwood
	Package				District
TAMFS	Winter Wx	4	3	Assigned	TxDOT
	Response				Abilene
	Package				District
TAMFS	Winter Wx	1	6	Assigned	TxDOT San
	Response				Angelo
	Package				
TAMFS	4x4 Vehicles	4	3	Assigned	DDEOC 22

Agency	Resource Kind and Type	Personnel	Equipment	Status	Location
TAMFS	4x4 Vehicles	4	2	Assigned	Parker and Palo Pinto Counties
TAMFS	Winter Wx Response Package	11	4	Available	TAMFS West Branch
TAMFS	4x4 Vehicles	8	4	Available	TAMFS NW Branch
TAMFS	4x4 Vehicles	12	6	Available	TAMFS Panhandle Branch
TAMFS	Saw Module	10		Available	Statewide
TAMFS	ESF 4 Coordinator	1	0	Assigned	Austin
PUC	SOC Liaison	4	0	Assigned	Austin
RRC	SOC Liaison	3	0	Assigned	Austin
TMD	Winter Weather Package BNMC (1 Fueler & 9 HMMVW)	36	10	Activated	Lubbock
TMD	Winter Weather Package 1 (1 Wrecker, 8 HMMVW & 1 FLA)	18	10	Activated	Lubbock
TMD	Winter Weather Package 2 (1 Wrecker, 4 HMMVW & 1 FLA)	18	6	Activated	Wichita Falls
TMD	Winter Weather Package 3 (1 Wrecker, 6 HMMVW, 1 FLA)	18	8	Activated	Round Rock
TMD	Winter Weather Package 4 (6 HMMVW & 1 FLA)	18	7	Activated	Wylie
TMD	Winter Weather Package 5 (1 Wrecker, 6 HMMVW & 1 FLA)	18	8	Assigned	Abilene
TMD	MDC	1	0	Assigned	Garland
TPWD	SOC Liaison	2	2	Assigned	Austin
TXDPS	SOC Liaison	2	0	Assigned	Austin
TxDOT	SOC Liaison	2	0	Assigned	Austin

**FINAL COMMENTS:** The State Operations Center (SOC) is activated at Level II (Escalated Response Conditions). The Texas Division of Emergency Management (TDEM) continues to monitor the situation and will provide additional situation reports as needed.

#### The four levels of SOC activation are:

Level I (Emergency Conditions)
Level II (Escalated Response Conditions)
Level III (Increased Readiness Conditions)
Level IV (Normal Conditions)

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